



LINEN ANNIVERSARY.

MR. AND MRS. J. H. FLETCHER CELEBRATED THE FIFTEEN YEAR OF THEIR MARRIAGE. SOCIETY TURNED OUT IN BEAUTIFUL COSTUMES.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fletcher, No. 105 D Street, N. E., was beautifully decorated last Monday evening, the occasion being a celebration of the fifteen years of happy wedlock of the above named parties. The parlor and dining room were adorned with a profusion of palms, tea and lilies, roses with back-grounds of maiden-hair ferns. The mirror over the parlor mantel was beautifully draped with Japanese silk, spangled with gold and at each corner were immense clusters of flowers tastefully arranged in the most effective manner. In the dining room, Mrs. Fletcher, in delicate Japanese vases, Mrs. Fletcher, the bride of the evening, was handsomely attired in a bodice of faille franchise, cut round in the neck, edged with a double row of pearls and garnished with La France roses. The sleeves were large puffs just above the elbow, relieved by a rounce of Spanish lace. The skirt was of white satin, with a pocket back and in front a stream of faille ribbon fell on either side, finished at the bottom of the skirt in a pretty rosette. Mr. A. F. Hilyer very modestly accepted the position as best man owing to the absence of Mr. Fletcher, and at 10:30 the guests repaired to the dining room and through the sweet strains of music Mr. A. F. Hilyer escorted the hostess into the room in a groom-like appearance, attired in a conventional black and button hole bouquet. Mr. Jessie Lawson made a speech congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher to which Mr. Hilyer responded after which Mrs. Fletcher in true old English style bade all welcome to the delicacies of the season which were before them. The center piece were all kinds of fruits, and the flowers which so beautifully decorated the walls and gas jets was a splendid background for the elegant costumes seen around the table. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Chichester, Mr. and Mrs. McLain, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Lawson, Mrs. N. F. Anderson and her daughter, Miss Jeannette E. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hilyer, Mrs. D. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. J. Blakey, Mesdames J. J. Dickerson, Browne, Jackson, Holton, Dixon, Braxton, Lucas, Bradus, Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Sayles, daughter and son, Misses: M. Veancy, S. Freeman, E. Montague, M. M. Middleton, Messrs. J. J. Dickerson, Daniel Freeman, Joseph Douglass, C. H. Branham, J. Brown, T. Johnson, W. G. Smith, J. L. Williams, W. H. Nash, Brent, Dr. E. D. Scott and Lawyer T. Wheeler J. Holton, Brown, Jackson and others. Mrs. Emma Sayles was seated in a lemon colored silk, with trimmings of black lace and announced each visitor on entering the parlor. The presents were of the finest linen of large assortment and variety. Many were received from friends in and out of the city who did not attend.

Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair Dawson have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter Susie to Mr. William Anderson. The event will take place Thursday evening November 14th at the residence of the bride and is expected to be a grand affair.

The pupils of Mr. Nickson's Sunday school class of the Lincoln Memorial church gave a pleasant entertainment last week at the residence of Mrs. Wheeler 1713 11th street N. W. Several recitations were delivered in an eloquent manner and the reciters were loudly applauded. Dancing and games were indulged in together with refreshments, all present seemed to have enjoyed themselves. Among those who attended were Misses Nettie Ware, Hattie and Rachael Pearson, Jessie and Ernestine Wheeler, Mr. Melby Grider of Ind., Misses Blanche and Eva Wilson, Daisy Williams, Lillian Smallwood, Ida Chew, Florence Fletcher, Hollie Middleton, Hattie and Annie Butler, Alice Forester, Nettie Martin, Mary Davis and Fannie Thompson, Messrs. Daniel Stewart, Richard Symes, Oliver Davis, Richard Scott, Theodore Smith, Arthur Lynch, B. B. Scott, Randolph Dabney, Leonard Palmer, Joseph Palmer, Joseph Scott and others.

Numerous heirs, some of whom contest the will, which cut them from the contest hinges upon the contention of Bedford's mind when he made the will.

Killed and Injured in an Explosion. Newburyport, Mass., Oct. 23.—Charles Williams was killed, James Reed fatally injured and four other men seriously injured by an explosion in the dry and mixing room of the Fibreoid works this morning. The accident is thought to have happened through overheating of machinery for the manufacture of cellulose and cuffs.

Texas Town Destroyed. Newberry, Oct. 23.—The town of Newberry, twenty miles from Newberry, was completely destroyed last night, only a few skeletons of the loss will remain.

150 MASSACRED.

Muslims Make an Attack on Armenians.

Constantinople, Oct. 23.—Private advices from an Armenian source report the occurrence of a terrible massacre near Halbut, on the road between Erzeroum and Trebizond. These reports allege that 500 Muslim-ian slaves, armed with Martini-Henry rifles and supported by the Turkish inhabitants, made an unprovoked attack upon the Armenian inhabitants of several villages, and it is further alleged that a number of young men and women were burned alive at stakes, and that many women were outraged and horribly mutilated.

After the churches had been desecrated the Muslim-ian mob pillaged the villages and stole all the cattle and other property of value they could carry off. It is stated upon the same authority that over 150 Armenians were killed. The inhabitants of these villages had made application beforehand to the Governor of Halbut for protection against the raids of the Muslim-ians, but the Governor sent only three gendarmes, who did not arrive until the murder and pillage were over. It is said that the names of the ringleaders in this outrage are known to the authorities.

The news of this latest outrage has made a painful impression in diplomatic circles and is regarded as affording fresh evidence of the necessity of prompt and energetic action on the part of the Powers to prevent further outrages by the swift punishment of those found guilty.

Later Armenian advices from Erzeroum estimate that several hundred Armenians were killed in the recent disturbances there. The Turkish version speaks of fifty having been killed. A dispatch from Trebizond says it is reported that Turks have attacked the Armenians in the mountains of Gumush Dag, near that city.

A SUICIDE IN A HACK.

New York, Oct. 23.—A well-dressed man called Cabman James McDonald at the bridge entrance in Brooklyn yesterday morning, and asked to be driven in a hurry to No. 131 St. Mark's place, that city. Near the corner of Flatbush and Fourth avenues the cabman heard the report of a pistol coming from his cab. He did not stop to make an investigation, but hurried to the Tenth Precinct police station, where he called the sergeant out to examine the cab. On looking inside the sergeant found the man sitting dead in a corner. He had shot himself in the right temple, and blood was oozing from the wound. The man was dead. It was learned that his name was Charles O. Valentine, thirty-three years old, a salesman, and lived with his wife in St. Mark's place. The woman became almost frantic when she heard of her husband's death. She said he had worried a great deal recently over business matters.

Killed in a Family Row. Shreveport, La., Oct. 23.—A bloody riot occurred among a crowd of negroes in Beasler parish, fifteen miles from this city, in which two were killed and several injured. A negro implicated in the killing has been arrested in this city. He stated that his name was Albert Hicks, and that he shot one of the negroes in self-defense. The shooting occurred at a negro cabin on a plantation situated near Houghton, La. The cause of the trouble was a family row, which ended in a general riot, in which shotguns and pistols were freely used.

Princess Maud Betrothed. Copenhagen, Oct. 23.—Princess Maud of Wales, youngest daughter of the Prince and Princess of Wales, is betrothed. It is officially announced, in Prince Charles of Denmark. The Princess is almost twenty-six years old (born November 26, 1899), and the Prince is twenty-three (born August 1, 1872). Prince Charles is the second son of Prince Frederick, heir apparent to the throne of Denmark, whose father, the King of Denmark, is also the father of the Princess of Wales.

A Crank Claims Millions. Washington, Oct. 23.—G. B. Mangum, a middle-aged crank, who claims to come from the State of Washington, called at the Treasury Department and demanded that Treasurer Morgan pay him \$12,000,000 for loss of gold he said he sustained by the sinking of the steamer Victoria. At the Interstate Commerce Commission office he refused this claim to \$100,000,000. He also called at the British Embassy and threatened to see the President. He was taken into custody by the police.

Revolt in San Domingo. Kingston, Jamaica, Oct. 23.—There is a formidable revolution on the island of San Domingo. The army is said to be disaffected and to a considerable extent in sympathy with the rebellion. A heavy battle is reported to have been fought at Banfies, near the frontier of Hayti. The Government troops defeated the rebels, who fled over the border into Hayti, where they are organizing. The outlook is serious.

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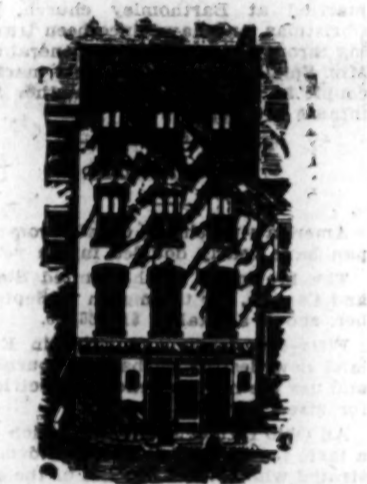
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